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AUSTIN MAN SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON ON CHILD PORN CHARGES

(AUSTIN, TEXAS) United States Attorney Johnny Sutton and Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott announced today that an Austin man was sentenced to federal prison after pleading guilty to child pornography charges.

United States Senior District Judge Harry Lee Hudspeth this afternoon sentenced **BRIAN KEITH O'QUIN** to 150 months for Sexual Exploitation of a Minor (Count One) and 60 months for Possession of Child Pornography (Count Five). He plead guilty to the charges on January 9, 2003.

O'Quin admitted that between approximately June 2000 and approximately December 2001, he was assigned by Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Central Texas to mentor to a 15-year-old male. During that time frame, O'Quin photographed the child while the child's genitalia was exposed and stored the photograph on his computer's hard drive.

On January 9, 2002, authorities executed a search warrant at O'Quin's residence. After examining the defendant's computer, authorities discovered numerous images of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct. Some of these images even included acts of sadistic abuse.

This case was investigated by Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott's Internet Bureau together with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Williamson County Sheriff's Office and the Austin Police Department. John S. Klassen, Special Assistant United States Attorney and Assistant Attorney General for the State of Texas, is prosecuting this case on behalf of the Government.

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